



# OATLEY WEST Lantern

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

19  
JUN

Musica Viva  
Cake Stall 2Blue  
5/6Blue

24  
JUN

SPAF Tickets on Sale

26  
JUN

NAIDOC Week

1  
JUL

Engadine Band Fest

5  
JUL

Last Day Term 2



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*The School by the park –  
Great Kids, Great Teachers, Great School!*

## MR NASH'S CORNER

I seem to be forever mentioning road safety, student safety and parking around the school in the newsletter, but while there continues to be danger, I'm compelled to appeal to our community to please drive carefully around the school, especially at the busy morning and afternoon pick up times. I will speak to the assembly again today about the safe use of crossings, walking to school and riding of bikes and scooters, however they are children and we must look out for them each and every day. Please also be mindful of our neighbours and parking across driveways and particularly parking in the bus stop. **This is not a kiss and drop zone.** If you are found parked across a driveway or stopping in the bus stop you will be fined.

## PLEASE TAKE CARE DRIVING AROUND OUR SCHOOL



*Paul Nash*

## PICTURES FROM THE PAST-Then & Now



Building of  
M Block —  
2011



## Principal Nash continued



*Discussing how to use the pedestrian crossing with Oatley Bear this morning.*

Please be careful when you are using any pedestrian crossing. **Never cross while using headphones or mobile phones.** Never assume a driver has seen you. You must look to the right look to the left and look to the right again before crossing the road, making sure there are no cars or that all cars have stopped.

School Zones provide a safe road environment for students adjacent to school premises. School zones are in place to protect children on their journey to and from schools at the times and places where they are most often found in higher numbers. They are in place at school entry points and operate for a short period at the start and the end of the school day. As part of the program, measures may include 40km/h speed zones, enhanced warning signage, infrastructure treatments, flashing lights and school crossing supervisors.

## Pedestrian Safety

Children need assistance dealing with the traffic environment until at least the age of 10 as they are not equipped physically or developmentally to make the crucial decisions to keep them safe. Like learning to drive a car, children need practise and experience to walk in the traffic environment.

Alongside the benefits of learning road safety, it is great chance to spend time with your family and good exercise!!

Children are vulnerable road users. Anywhere where there is a potential for moving vehicles is a potentially dangerous traffic situation for children. This includes residential areas, car-parks, at traffic lights, along foot-paths, pedestrian and other crossings, drive-ways, quiet streets, and busy streets.

Although children may think they can handle crossing a road by themselves, remember that children:

- are easily distracted and focus on only one aspect of what is happening
- are smaller and harder for drivers to see
- are less predictable than other pedestrians
- cannot accurately judge the speed and distance of moving vehicles
- cannot accurately predict the direction sounds are coming from
- are unable to cope with sudden changes in traffic conditions
- do not understand abstract ideas - such as road safety
- are unable to identify safe places to cross the road
- tend to act inconsistently in and around traffic

Many children below the age of 10 years do not have the capability or judgment to handle many pedestrian situations.

Principal Nash continued

Children need to be accompanied and closely supervised by a parent or adult carer to keep them safer.

Parents and caregivers have a key role in educating their children about road safety. Children learn about road safety largely by experience. Parents and adult carers have opportunities in day-to-day routines to discuss road safety with children on the way to the newsagent, local shop or going to school. Whenever crossing roads, it is an idea to talk about when and why it is safe to cross the road with your children so they can gain a good understanding of road safety issues.

FLU SEASON

We have a steady stream of children presenting to sick bay with symptoms of vomiting, fever and stomach pains. Influenza, or flu, is a highly contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses. Flu can occur throughout the year but flu activity usually peaks in winter. People with influenza typically experience some or all of the following symptoms for at least a week:

- fever and chills
- Cough, sore throat and runny or stuffy nose
- Muscle aches, joint pains, headaches and fatigue
- Nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea (more common in children than adults).

Some symptoms may last for more than a week.

Seek immediate medical advice if the illness quickly becomes worse.

NSW Health recommends that you stay at home if you are sick with flu. Avoid contact with other people to prevent them from also becoming sick. Sick children should be kept away from school and other activities. This is especially important if you visit people who are more likely to get really sick if they get the flu-including pregnant women, infants, older people in hospital or residential aged care. Young children and people with weakened immune systems may be infectious for longer. Similarly, if you think you may have influenza and you need to see a doctor, call ahead so the clinic can take precautions to reduce the risk to other people. Influenza viruses are mainly spread by droplets made when an infected person coughs or sneezes. Influenza can also be spread after touching surfaces where infected droplets have landed. The symptoms of influenza are usually managed by bed rest and drinking plenty of fluids.

# BICYCLE SAFETY

**HELMET USE**

By law, all riders and passengers on bicycles must wear an approved helmet that complies with the Australian Standard (AS/NZ2063)

The number of children aged 5-14 hospitalised in 2011-2012 due to bike-related injuries was\*

1,905

**SAFETY CHECKLIST**

- Approved and fitted helmet
- Brakes
- Lights
- Reflectors
- Working bell
- Visibility devices (reflective tape, flags)

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SAFETY TIPS

**SELECTING A BIKE**

- Ensure the bike is the right size and the right type for the child's abilities.
- Children should be able to reach the handlebars comfortably when seated.

**SAFE RIDING**


- Ensure tyres, steering and braking systems are operating correctly.
- Choose safe places to ride - away from slopes, stairs, bumps, vehicles and driveways.

**HELMET FIT**

- Check fit of the helmet by pushing gently - it should have limited movement.

**MAINTENANCE**

- Replace helmets that have been damaged, cracked or worn out.
- Maintain bike regularly.



Child Accident Prevention Foundation of Australia  
New South Wales

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VALUE FOR THE WEEK  
**EXCELLENCE**

Always try for your personal best.  
Celebrate your achievements and the achievements of others.  
Be proud of your school.  
Enjoy learning.



*Paul Nash*



**SOFTBALL TEAMS**



**Georges River Girls & Boys District Softball Team**  
 Congratulations to the following students who were selected in the girls/boys Georges River District Softball Team.

- Bree P
  - Dean M
  - Luca R
  - Samuel Y
- Miss Ross

**BAND NEWS**

Engadine Bandfest

Intermediate Band and Concert Band will be performing at Engadine Bandfest on Monday 1st July. Permission notes will be emailed to parents. Children are to wear their band uniform to school and bring a small backpack with food, water bottle and music folder. Intermediate Band will have their normal rehearsal in the morning. Concert Band will need to remember to bring their instruments to school.

St George Performing Arts Festival (SPAF)

Concert Band will be performing in the Acacia Concert (both matinee and evening) on Tuesday 13th August. Tickets go on sale next Monday 24th June. Children have been given a note about ticket information. There will be a rehearsal with the choir on Tuesday 25th June after normal band rehearsal.

Music Council

**OWPS COMMUNITY PRAYER GROUP**

Day: Tuesday 18 June 2019

Time: 2-3pm

Venue: 22 Oatley Park Ave

Contact: Glynnis 0425 256 252 or Liz 0412 751

265 for more information or any enquiries

All welcome to join us in praying for our school and it's community

Liz Moll and Glynnis Nelson

**SPAF TICKETS ON SALE**

Please see the information attached at the end of the newsletter. SPAF tickets go on sale Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you.

**ORGANIC DIGGERS REPORT**



With the Queen's Birthday public holiday and muddy and wet conditions in the garden today, the Diggers Club has had to take a break from gardening. Hopefully we will be able to put plants in on Thursday this week - we have chives, marigolds, lettuce, broccoli and cauliflower waiting to be planted. Despite our disappointment at not being able to get our hands into the soil, we are grateful for this much needed rain.

Happy gardening!

Mr Burr

*Organic Diggers Coordinator*

**VALUE LEAF ASSEMBLY 3-6**

There will be a Values Leaf Assembly for Year 3 – 6 on the last week of term, Wednesday 3 July. Please note gates will be open at 2:15pm when the children are settled in the hall. We look forward to seeing you.

Thank you

**CAKE DAY**

This Wednesday we will have Cake Day on again. **2 Blue** and **5/6 Blue** will supply cakes for us this week. Thank you for your continuing support.



## UNIFORM SHOP

Manager – Sia Coelho Enquiries:

[scoelho@iinet.net.au](mailto:scoelho@iinet.net.au)

The Uniform Shop is open for your convenience every Thursday from 9-10am at the end of G Block. This on-site service would not be available without our wonderful volunteers.

**All uniform requirements are outlined on the School website.**

**Winter Uniform - All students should now be wearing their Winter Uniform**

**Exchanges:** Exchanges can only be made on Thursday when the shop is open. If you can't come in to see us when we are open, please leave your exchange at the school office in a bag, with your child's name and class noted as well as details for the exchange. If the error is ours, please contact us at [scoelho@iinet.net.au](mailto:scoelho@iinet.net.au)

**Stock Update:** We have currently sold out of Size 10 Long Sleeve Blue Polos. These have been ordered and should be received within the next two weeks. Orders for any stock that is unavailable, will be placed on backorder and delivered to your child's class once received.

**Thank you** – Many thanks to Bee M-B and Belinda P who volunteered at the Uniform Shop last week.

**Volunteers wanted:** Currently, Uniform Shop only has a few regular volunteers who help. If you have a spare hour on Thursday mornings from 9-10am, please consider volunteering at the Uniform Shop. Whether it's once a fortnight, month or term, all help is greatly appreciated.

**NB:** A Volunteers (Free) Working with Children check will be required if you wish to volunteer.

**Plastic Bag Fee** – Although we are endeavouring to be plastic bag free, **orders will now incur a \$0.25 charge where a plastic bag is required to deliver uniform to your child.** This fee will automatically be added to your payment. If payment is made by cash or cheque, please ensure this fee is added to your payment.

**Uniform Orders:** Order forms (dated January 2019) can be completed and dropped in to Letterbox 8 located in the front courtyard. Please note, **orders are not accepted via e-mail.** All orders will be delivered to your child's classroom on Thursday when the shop is open, provided they are received prior to 9.30am on Thursday. The preferred payment method for orders is by Credit Card or Cheque as we cannot be held accountable for lost cash/orders. Cards are generally debited one day prior to delivery.

**We take great pride in the appearance of the children at Oatley West Public School and encourage all students to wear the correct school uniform.**

## SCHOOL BANKING

A big thank you to Faith S, Angel D, Tina Y & Lily P for being generous with your time and helping with school banking last week!

Thursday is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit.

For every deposit made at school, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their regular savings habits.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

If your child has lost their book, they can bring their money to school in a sealed envelope with a note on the next School Banking day. We will issue them with a replacement.

Previous reward items still available;

[https://www.commbank.com.au/content/dam/commbank-assets/banking/school-banking/2019-04/past\\_school\\_banking\\_rewards\\_slip\\_colour.pdf](https://www.commbank.com.au/content/dam/commbank-assets/banking/school-banking/2019-04/past_school_banking_rewards_slip_colour.pdf)

2019 prizes;

<https://www.commbank.com.au/content/dam/commbank-assets/banking/school-banking/2019-01/bts-rewards-card-a4.pdf>

Any questions?

Contact [owpsschoolbanking@gmail.com](mailto:owpsschoolbanking@gmail.com)

<https://www.commbank.com.au/content/dam/commbank-assets/banking/school-banking/2019-01/bts-rewards-card-a4.pdf>

**Thursday is our banking day!**

11<sup>th</sup> June 2019

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## ST GEORGE PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL TICKETS 2019

Dear Parents/Caregivers

**It's time to order tickets for the St George Performing Arts Festival online!**

Your child will be performing at the St George Performing Arts Festival this year in the Acacia Concert. Performances are being held at Hurstville Entertainment Centre, McMahon Street, Hurstville.

<b>Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3 Girls Dance Groups</b>	<b>Acacia Concert Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2019 (12.15pm Matinee &amp; 7.00pm Evening)</b>
<b>Concert Band</b>	<b>Acacia Concert Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2019 (12.15pm Matinee &amp; 7.00pm Evening)</b>
<b>Years 3-6 Choir</b>	<b>Acacia Concert Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2019 (12.15pm Matinee &amp; 7.00pm Evening)</b>

The 12.15pm Matinee Tickets are more readily available and cost \$12 each for adults and \$5 each for children. You will not have to transport your child to this concert as they will have travelled to the Entertainment Centre earlier that morning for a rehearsal. Your child will pay a bus fare for this day. The 7.00pm Evening Tickets are limited and cost \$22 each. There is no discount for children at the evening concert. You will need to transport your child to and from the evening concert. Performers will not require a ticket.

### **Book Online!**

You will be able to book tickets for all concerts by going to <http://www.spaf.schools.nsw.edu.au> and on the home page clicking on the: **Tickets on Sale Monday 24th June 2019**. When booking online you will be required to pay at the time of booking. No refunds or exchanges will be available. There are no further tickets available once sold out, so get in early to secure a ticket. **Please note no strollers are allowed in the Hurstville Entertainment Centre.**

Kind regards

Mrs Clair Bull  
SPAF Coordinator

Mr Paul Nash  
Principal

# YOUTH ART

Painting

Videography

Photography

Drawing

Sculpture

Print making

## CALLING ALL OWPS YEAR 3-6 ARTISTS!

You're invited to submit a piece of art for display as part of OWPS Community Festival, from 23-25 August!

The theme for the Yr 3-6 Youth Art project is

**'WONDER'**

We encourage you to have fun with this theme, **Wonder** is all around. Your piece could relate to; nature, invention, the power of healing, the unexpected, life and growth, colour, etc.

All artwork must be original and created by you. Artworks could be sculpture, painting, videography, photography, printmaking, etc.

*So get INSPIRED and have fun!*

Interested? Fill in the form below and return to your teacher by Monday, **1 July 2019** for more details.



Yes, I'm interested in creating a piece of art for the 3-6 Youth Art project, to be displayed as part of the Art exhibition during the OWPS Community Festival.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_